

# VAIR STREET JOURNAL

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CORVAIR CLUB

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## AS WE BEGIN 2009

### Let's Look Back at 2008

**January** started the year off with a wonderful Holiday Party at The Grant Bar & Lounge.

Aside from the Board Meeting in **February** and the two member meetings in **March** and **May**, club events were nonexhistant.

It was not until **June** that things started to get underway, and although not a WPCC event, strictly speaking, the CORSA Convention in Ventura, California, shifted things into first gear. Bob Hieber, one of the brave souls to make the journey, learned

that it's probably a good idea to check the color of your automatic transmission fluid before setting out on a 7,280 mile trip in your Corvaair.

WPCC was in second gear in **July** with Jim Heatherington's trip to Jennerstown for a play and dinner at Green Gables.

In **August** the club was in third gear. At the beginning of the month it was Tim Desmond's Blueberry Picking event up North and Dwayne Cekus' Victory Hill event in the South. As the month

was drawing to a close we had Don Cekus' Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania event in Wellsboro.

We hit fourth gear in **September** with the Saxonburg Art Festival and Picnic at Gundlachs' with a record number of people *and* Corvairs.

And finally, we cruised into **October** under the checkered flag with Bob Hieber's Econo-Rally.

It was a slow start but a great finish. And as the words of the song go, "it was a very good year".

# DUES

It's that time of year when we ask you to pay your annual WPCC dues. And just for the record, dues are cheap, just \$12 per year. Checks should be made payable to WPCC. Please send your check to our newly elected treasurer, Bill Young,

at the following address:

126 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Bridgeville, PA 15017

We hope you will continue your membership this year and thank you for your past support.



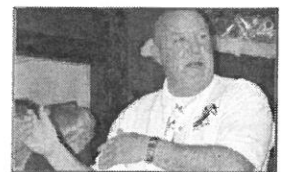
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### Next Meeting

## Tuesday, March 24, 2009

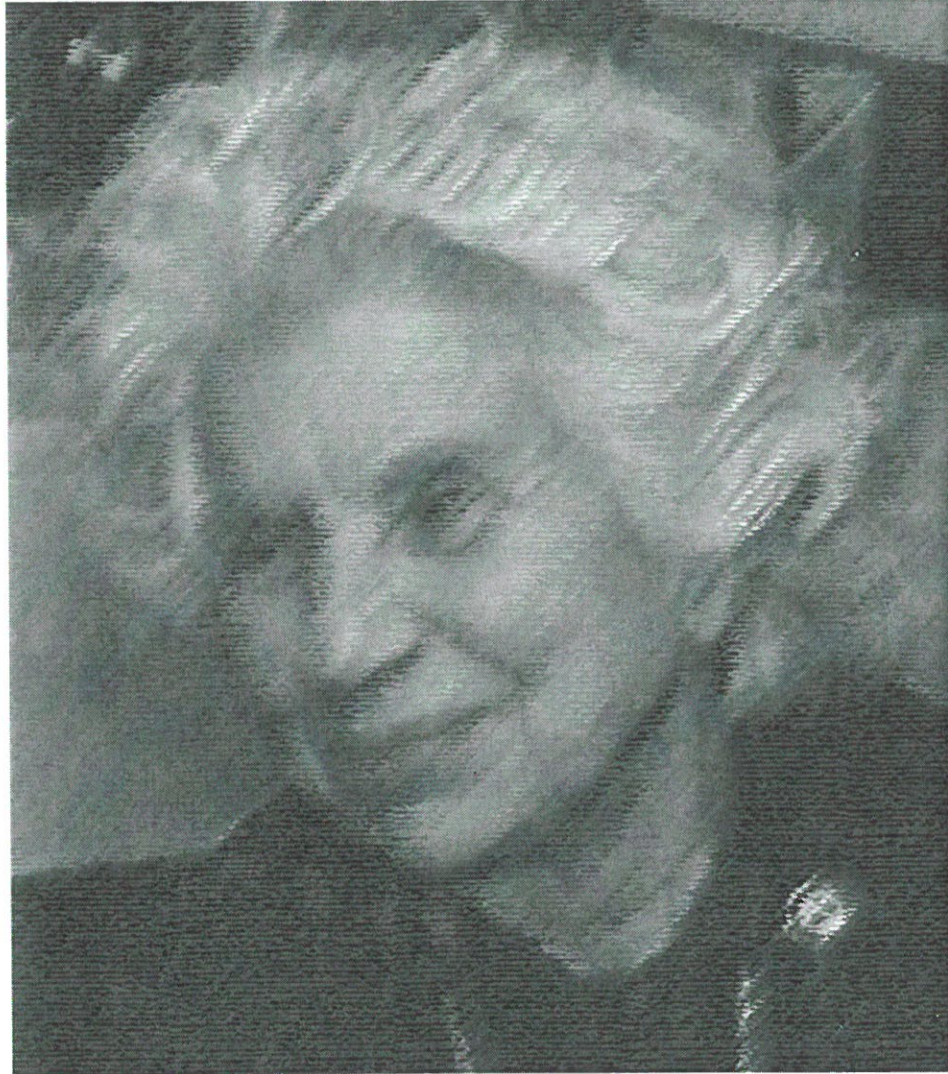
King's Restaurant—Wexford • Route 910 • Off I-79 at Exit 73

Dinner at 6:30 p.m. • Meeting at 7:30 p.m.



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## Irene Artzberger 1929-2008



ORIGINAL PHOTO BY DON BAKER

On Saturday, December 27, Irene Artzberger, long time friend and member of the Western Pennsylvania Corvair Club and wife for 57 years of Bill Artzberger, died at the age of 79. She was the mother of Bill and Jim (Sandy) Artzberger.

To Bill and his family we extend our sympathies. We know that Bill and Irene shared a deep love for each other that did not end with her passing.

If you wish, you may make donation in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 100 West Station Square Drive, Suite 500, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

## November 25, 2008 Meeting Minutes

### Officers Present:

- Jim Steigerwaldt, *President*
- Don Cekus, *Vice President*
- Pat Greenwald, *Secretary*

### Board members present:

- Tim Desmond
- Bob Hieber
- Jim Madden
- Charles Lucas, *newsletter editor*

President Jim Steigerwaldt called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the September 23rd meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

The treasurer's report was read and approved. The balance is \$2,513.67.

Jim announced that due to work and family schedules, Dwayne Cekus would not be continuing as treasurer after the end of the year. Bill Young volunteered to take over the treasurer's duties. Jim also expressed a willingness to serve as president again next year. This should make Don Baker's job as head of the nominating committee a lot

easier this year.

Jim Madden reported that he called the people at Grant Bar & Lounge, site of the Holiday Party on January 4th.

The prices are the same as last year. The club will provide the hors d'oeuvres and subsidize part of the meal cost bringing it to \$20.00.

A minimum of 45 people is required for the room so members are encouraged to attend and bring the family and/or guests.

Don Cekus reported that he, his brother Ken, and Bob Hieber traveled to the Fall Corvaire Affair in Raleigh, NC in October. They also visited the state fair.

Tim Desmond asked what could be done to speed up activities at the holiday party. Jim stated that the schedule of events as printed in the last newsletter was put together with this in mind. The gift exchange will take place before dinner, with the Chinese Auction after dinner. Those not able to stay for the auction will be present for the entire

gift exchange, which is necessary due to the trading of gifts until the last gift.

Les Walter passed around a catalogue of die cast models.

Bob Hieber recapped the Econo-Ralley event. Results and some pictures appeared in the last newsletter.

Jim Steigerwaldt had information that he picked up at last year's convention that stated the dates for the 2009 Corsa Convention as July 20-24, but the Communique lists the dates as July 13-17??

Jim asked all members to start thinking about club events for 2009.

Vince Duva won \$8.00 in the 50/50 raffle.

The next meeting will be at the Holiday Party on January 4, 2009 at the Grant Bar & Lounge at 114 Grant Street in Millvale. Start time is 2:30.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Pat Greenwald, secretary

## January 4, 2009 Holiday Party/Meeting Minutes

Forty-two members and guests gathered at Grant's Bar & Lounge for the annual Holiday Party/meeting.

### Officers Present:

- Jim Steigerwaldt, *President*
- Don Cekus, *Vice President*
- Pat Greenwald, *Secretary*

### Board members present:

- Tim Desmond
- John Gundlach
- Jim Heatherington
- Bob Hieber
- Jim Madden
- Steve Puskas
- Charles Lucas, *newsletter editor*

Al and Carol Friend conducted the gift exchange. Popular gifts that were traded more than once included a crock pot, nativity set, and lottery tickets.

Before dinner Jim called everyone to order for a short business meeting. The minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. There was no treasurer's report.

Jim announced that he has agreed to serve again as president, Don Cekus, Pat Greenwald, and Charles Lucas also agreed to serve again as vice present, secretary, and editor. Dwayne Cekus resigned as treasurer at the end of 2008 and Bill Young volunteered to serve as the new treasurer. Jim asked for additional nominations. Being none, the secretary cast the vote for the above slate of candidates.

Jim asked the 2008 board members if they were willing to serve again for 2009 and all agreed. He inquired if anyone else would like to be on the board

and Al Friend was added. In addition to the officers and editor, the 2009 board will consist of: Tim Desmond, Al Friend, John Gundlach, Jim Heatherington, Bob Hieber, Jim Madden, and Steve Puskas.

Jim presented the 'Member of the Year' trophy to Tim Desmond and thanked him for his work in putting together the blueberry picking events.

Following dinner Pat Greenwald, and Dolly Izzo conducted the Chinese auction. The proceeds were \$163.00.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Pat Greenwald

# THE HOLIDAY PARTY



The festivities were under way at 2:30.

As folks entered Grant's Bar & Lounge, they took a left turn into the back room to find a place for their Chinese auction offerings. And of course they spotted an item or two that they just had to try for, so they were buying and dropping tickets into the little cups. The cookies looked so good. So did the books and all of the other treasures that were hoping for a new home.

*Just what Donna Hieber has wanted since she was old enough to drive, liquid car wash to clean Bob's Corvair and wiping rags to dry it.*

Next stop was the dining room for hor d'oeuvres, drinks and talking with old friends.

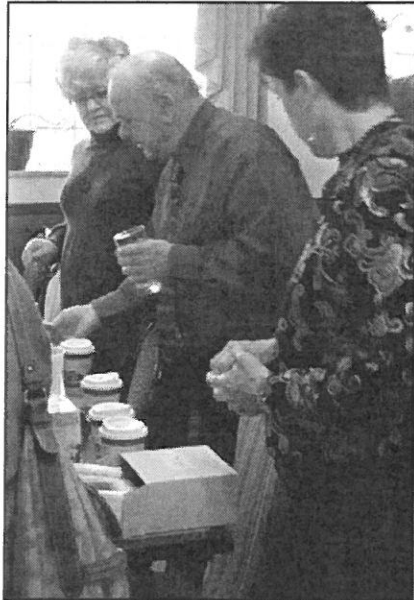
The gift exchange hosted by Al and Carole Friend is a big hit and enjoyed by everyone. It has been that way for more years than we'd like to count. Dinner followed with what we've come to expect at the Grant Bar & Lounge, wonderful food!

Pat Greenwald and friend, Dolly Izzo, again did the honor of hosting the Chinese Auction.

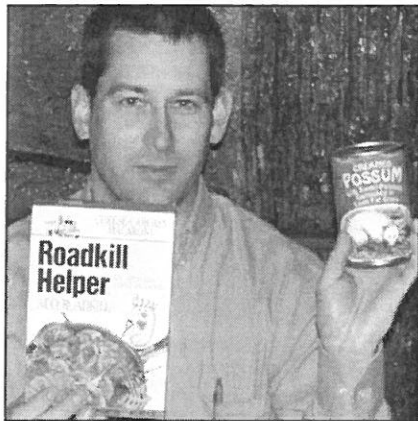
The party was loads of fun; good times with a great bunch of oldies.

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Heidi Madden and Mary Ellen Cekus watch Don Cekus' technique for dropping tickets in cups



Can you see it in his eyes? Can you see it in his smile? Stephen is so thrilled with his Roadkill Helper and Creamed Possum with Sweet Potatoes



Dolly Izzo above and Pat Greenwald, right always do a great job raising money for the club through the Chinese auction



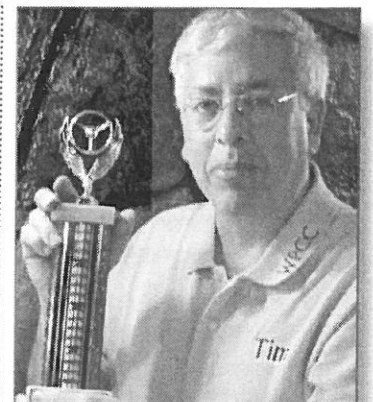
Starting left (clock wise) is our Prez, Jim Steigerwald, who appears to be signing autographs after his unanimous re-election. Beside Jim are Donna and Bob Hieber, Jim Madden, Les Walter (green Jersey) and Don Baker



Hey, there's my wife Sarah beside Laura Gundlach, with plates full of hor d'oeuvres. Les Walter is in the green shirt and Tim Desmond is in gold



At left are the King and Queen of the ever popular gift exchange, Al Friend and his bride Carole



For his Blueberry picking event, this past August, Tim Desmond was awarded the Member of the Year Trophy. Congratulations, Tim!

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## A Letter I received from Bill Artzberger

Dear Charles:

I'd like to give my collection of the CORSA COMMUNIQUE to one of our WPCC members who would appreciate it.

The collection dates back to the 70's and perhaps to almost the first issue. I would think it appropriate if the person interested would make an offer and the donation would be

accepted for the WPCC treasury.

OR...let the collection be given to the club library (if there is on).

I'll leave the disposition up to you, or perhaps the president.

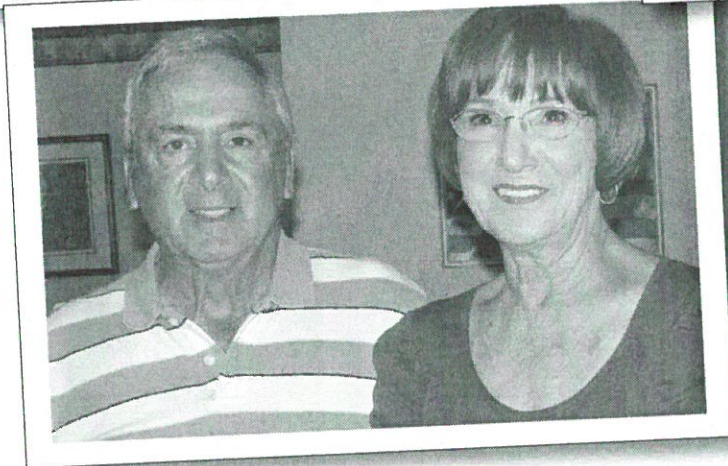
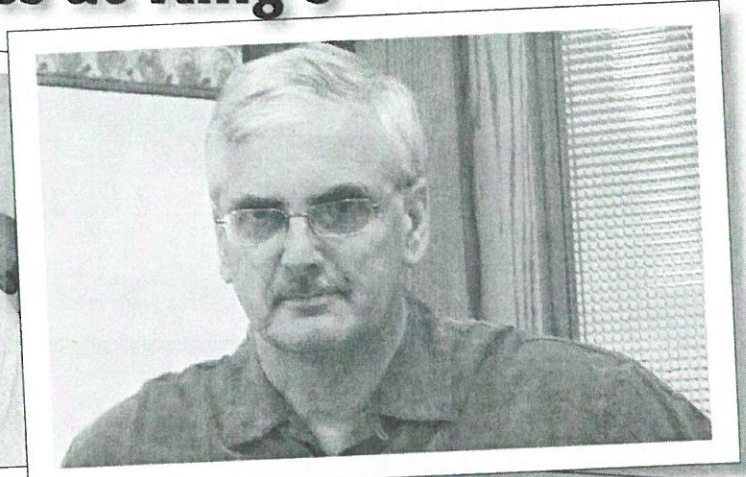
Bill Artzberger  
412-364-6842

*Wow, what a nice gesture from Bill. This sounds like something we need to discuss at the WPCC board meeting coming up on March 7th. Sounds like a win, win situation to me.*

*Thanks Bill!*

*Charles*

## Snap Shots at King's



Above:

Joyce and Paul McDonald, a couple of snowbirds from Butler County, are no doubt enjoying the warmth of the Sunshine State. By the way, Joyce is the Corvairst person.

Below:

Bob and Polly Tedesco are getting to be regulars at so many WPCC meetings and events.

Above:

Dave Bucklew, who with his wife Linda, lives in Zelienople. Dave has been a member for several years, has attended several meetings and he and Linda did the Econo Rally event.

Below:

Louise and Vince Duva have become very active members since joining WPCC. They are neighbors of Don and Mary Ellen Cekus.

**WPCC Roster of Members**

Paid-up members as of 12-31-2008

	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	E-MAIL
1	<b>Adamson</b> , Richard & Doris	251 Lilac Drive, Monroeville, PA 15146	412-372-3452	
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3	<b>Bachman</b> , Jack & Joyce	402 Elfinwild Lane, Glenshaw, PA 15116	412-486-2478	quebapa@aol.com
4	<b>Baker</b> , Don & Joanne	12461 Larimer Avenue, North Huntingdon, PA 15642	724-863-3770	dcbakerscca@yahoo.com
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7	<b>Brill</b> , Jean	4500 Oakhurst Blvd., Harrisburg, PA 17110	717-526-4523	
8	<b>Buccigrossi</b> , Emerick & Letty	1502 Fernledge Drive, Allison Park, PA 15101	412-486-7691	ebuccigrossi@comcast.net
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11	<b>Cekus</b> , Dwayne & Joy	108 Prosser Drive, Monongahela, PA 15063	724-258-7778 C:412-296-0294	cekus@verizon.net
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14	<b>Costantino</b> , John & Clare	305 3rd Street, Freeport, PA 16229-1141	724-295-2675	
15	<b>Dandois</b> , Dick & Marie	11844 Route 286 Hwy W., Homer City, PA 15748-7803	724-726-5606	dindy2@earthlink.net
16	<b>Desmond</b> , Tim & Michelle	107 Hivue Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15237	412-761-3926	TDES123@netzero.com
17	<b>Duva</b> , Vincent & Louise	195 Browns Hill Road, Valencia, PA 16059	724-898-1604	
18	<b>Fabyonic</b> , Dave & Janice	387 Sierra Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15239	724-327-7361	davidfab@usa.net
19	<b>Fabyonic</b> , David, Jr. & Melisa	313 Oak Wood Circle, McDonald, PA 15057	412-2574554	
20	<b>Friend</b> , Al & Carole	6000 Great Oaks Drive, Export, PA 15632	724-325-2588 W 88-311-4183	albert_friend@ml.com
21	<b>Gatts</b> , Gary & Joan	38 Emery Road, Fredericktown PA 15333	724-263-5356	
22	<b>Goehring</b> , Earl & Diane	140 Whitestown Road, Harmony, PA 16037	724-452-8823	
23	<b>Greenwald</b> , Pat	415 Crestview Drive, Plum, PA 15239	412-795-5719	pggreen233@netzero.net
24	<b>Gundlach</b> , John, Gayle & Laura	228 McKay Road, Saxonburg, PA 16056	724-352-4205	
25	<b>Hackl</b> , George & Marlene	420 , Hulton Road, New Kensington, PA 15068	724-224-0482	
26	<b>Hamlin</b> , Charlotte	2207 Arbor Glen Court, Sun City Center, FL 33573	813-633-6684	hamlinchar@aol.com
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28	<b>Hieber</b> , Bob & Donna	1679 Brodhead Road, RR3, Moon Twp, PA 15108	724-457-9712	bob@thehiebers.com
29	<b>Jones</b> , Judy	3205 Bell Air Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15227	412-882-2109	wandjjones@yahoo.com
30	<b>Kreisel</b> , Curt & Elana	1141 Sunrise Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15243	412-561-1845	curt.kreisel@wolterskluwer.com
31	<b>Lucas</b> , Charles & Sarah	236 W. Marigold Street, Munhall, PA 15120-2233	412-462-6735	chaslucas@gmail.com
32	<b>Madden</b> , Jim & Heidi	3045 Mt. Troy Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15212	412-321-1654	triximadden@comcast.net
33	<b>Matenkosky</b> , Walter & Susan	702 Spring Street, Latrobe, PA 15650	724-537-8922	wmatenkosky@hotmail.com
34	<b>McDonald</b> , Paul & Joyce	258 Evans City Road, Butler, PA 16001-2711	724-287-5671	jam40258@zoominternet.net
35	<b>Mims</b> , Donna Mae	2467 Brookledge Road, Bridgeville, PA 15017	412-221-3257	
36	<b>Morgan</b> , Robert & Margaret	344 Ridge Road, New Brighton, PA 15066	724-846-6040	
37	<b>Puskas</b> , Stephen	130 Alana Drive, Saxonburg, PA 16056 (Temporary)	724-352-4294	Pusk8@aol.com
38	<b>Rising</b> , Connie	155 Ben Franklin Road N., Indiana, PA 15701	724-465-4146	
39	<b>Schifano</b> , Charlie & Connie	223 Blackridge Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601	724-832-7498	
40	<b>Shearer</b> , Ralph & Joanne	30 Clover Drive, Latrobe, PA 15650	724-539-8645	
41	<b>Steigerwaldt</b> James & Diane	506 Quail Drive, Cranberry Twp, PA 16066-4074	724-776-0935	Jimstg@zbzoom.net
42	<b>Sweet</b> , John & Charlotte	1264 Walnut Street, Stoneboro, PA 16153	724-376-4335	jasvair@certainty.net
43	<b>Tedesco</b> , Bob & Polly	4741 Curry Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15236	412-881-8577 C: 614-496-4000	bptedesco@aol.com
44	<b>Tyger</b> , John, & Barb	8399 Rte 954 Hwy. N., Creekside, PA 15732	724-397-2043	jtyger@directv.net
45	<b>Walter</b> , Lester	100 Thompson Lane South, North Huntingdon, PA 15642	724-863-8437	timerles@aol.com
46	<b>Wardoclip</b> , Paul & Lois	891 State Route 356, Leechburg, PA 15656	724-845-2699	pwardoclip@windstream.net
47	<b>Watkins</b> , Kerry & Linda	209-1/2 S. Third Street, Youngwood, PA 15697	724-925-1962	
48	<b>Wilson</b> , Gregory	508 Bigham Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15211	412-481-6864	
49	<b>Yobst</b> , Robert & Rosalie	518 Brookdale Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15215	412-963-9943	
50	<b>Young</b> , Bill & Dana	126 Pennsylvania Avenue, Bridgeville, PA 15017	412-220-3896 C: 412-260-8359	william.h.young@verizon.net

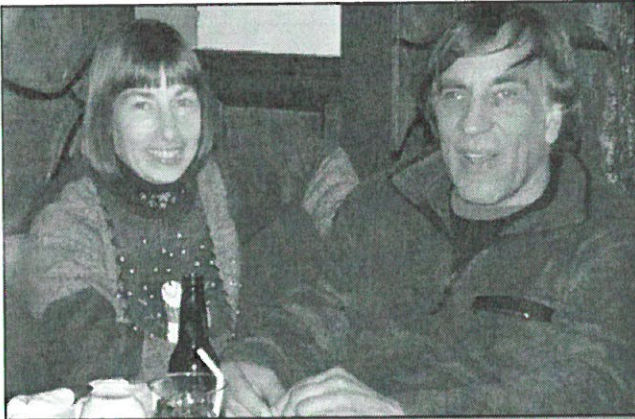
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Diane & Earl Goehring (near photo). Diane was a big winner in the Chinese Auction

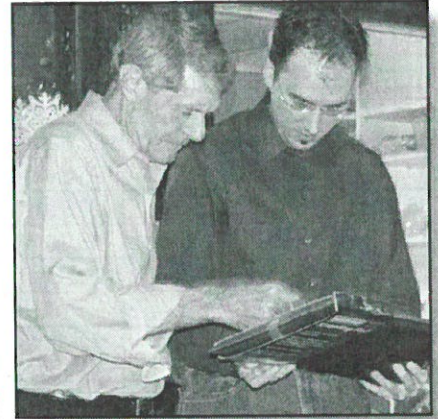


On the left are the Brier's, Dick & Carol, in the far right photo. Seated across from them are Dave & Jan Fabyonic who certainly seem to be enjoying the conversation



It was a pleasure to have Sandy and Jim Artzberger join us at the Holiday Party

A newcomer to our Holiday Party, Matthew Comer is Pat Greenwald's nephew. Here, he and Al friend he has chosen from the Gift Exchange choices



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